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LUCAS IN FCO BRIEFLY REVIEWED STATE OF UK-IRAQI RELATIONS FOR EMBOFF SEPTEMBER 28. HE WILL BE ACCOMPANYING FCO MINISTER OF STATE JUDD ON A VISIT TO BAGHDAD OCTOBER 10-12 FOR THE BAGHDAD INTERNATIONAL FAIR. BRITISH OBJECTIVE IS, OF COURSE, SIMPLY TO PUSH BRITISH EXPORTS. THE BRITISH HAVE TO CONTINUE TO COPE WITH IRAQI RESENTMENT ON THREE ISSUES: 1) THE IRAQI SUSPICION OF BRITISH SUPPORT FOR THE KURDS; 2) THE BRITISH POSITION ON THE ARAB-ISRAELI ISSUE; AND 3) TIGHT BRITISH CONTROL OVER ISSUANCES OF VISAS TO IRAQIS, NECESSITATED BY THE TERRORIST THREAT. ON THE POSITIVE SIDE OF THE LEDGER, THE BRITISH ARE VERY PLEASED WITH THE DEGREE TO WHICH THE IRAQIS HAVE MENDED THEIR FENCES WITH THE KUWAITIS REGARDING THE DISPUTED BORDER AREAS.

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